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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel dependent claim 5 and independent claim 23. Please add new claims 24-26 including independent claim 25.

1. (Currently Amended) A sunshade system for a motor vehicle, comprising:
first and second guide rails;
a front crossbar and a rear crossbar that extend between the first and second guide rails and are guided in the first and second guide rails; and
a flexible sunshade that is fastened to the front and rear crossbars, wherein the flexible sunshade is guided between the first and second guide rails.
2. (Original) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first and second guide rails extend in an inclined relationship with respect to each other.
3. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the flexible sunshade is elastic at substantially right angles to a shifting direction dictated by the first and second guide rails.
4. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 2, wherein the flexible sunshade is entirely made of an elastic material.
5. (Cancelled)

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6. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one of the ~~first front~~ crossbar and the rear crossbar is a telescopic member.

7. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 6, wherein at least one of the front crossbar and the rear crossbar has first and second laterally protruding guide arms that are received in ~~said the~~ at least one of the front cross bar and the rear crossbar for sliding movement therein, wherein the first laterally protruding guide arm is received in the first guide rail and the second laterally protruding guide arm is received in the second guide rail.

8. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 7, wherein the first and second laterally protruding guide arms are mechanically coupled to each other and to the at least one of the front crossbar and the rear crossbar so that ~~said the~~ at least one of the front crossbar and the rear crossbar is centered in a middle area between the first and second guide rails.

9. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 8, further comprising a centering gear that centers the at least one of the front crossbar and rear crossbars in the middle area, wherein the centering gear is rotatably fitted to the at least one of the front crossbar and the rear crossbar and engages the at least one of the front crossbar and the rear crossbar by first and second tooth racks disposed on the first and second laterally protruding guide arms, respectively.

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10. (Original) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 1, further comprising first and second sliders fitted in at least one of the front crossbar and rear crossbar and received in the first and second guide rails, respectively, for sliding movement therein.

11. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a handle that is fitted to the front crossbar to allow manual adjustment of the flexible sunshade.

12. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a sun visor that is fitted to the front crossbar such that ~~it~~ the sun visor can be folded downward.

13. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a spacer that engages the front and rear crossbars to keep ~~them~~ the front and rear crossbars at a constant distance from each other.

14. (Original) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the spacer is at least one push-pull cable.

15. (Original) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 14, wherein the first guide rail has a first cable disposed therein and the second guide rail has a second cable disposed

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therein, the first and second cables acting as the spacer, wherein the first and second cables are coupled with each other such that ends of the first and second cables associated with the front and rear crossbars can only be shifted jointly and in parallel.

16. (Original) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 15, further comprising a coupling gear that cooperates with the first and second cables.

17. (Original) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 16, further comprising a drive motor that engages the coupling gear.

18. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim ~~14, 13~~, further comprising first and second sliders molded onto ~~said the~~ at least one push-pull cable, fitted in at least one of the front crossbar and rear crossbar and received in the first and second guide rails, respectively, for sliding movement therein.

19. (Currently Amended) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the flexible sunshade is adapted to at least partially cover a windshield of a vehicle.

20. (Original) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 19, wherein the first and second guide rails are part of a roof opener system.

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21. (Withdrawn) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a roller blind that is secured to the rear crossbar.

22. (Withdrawn) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 21, further comprising a coiling body, wherein the roller blind is wound on the coiling body.

23. (Cancelled)

24. (New) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the flexible sunshade is made from a resilient material extending in a longitudinal direction between the front and rear crossbars, the resilient material being resilient at least in a direction transverse to the longitudinal direction.

25. (New) A sunshade system for a motor vehicle, comprising:
first and second guide rails extending in a generally longitudinal direction;
a front crossbar and a rear crossbar that extend laterally between the first and second guide rails and are guided in the first and second guide rails; and
a flexible sunshade that is coupled to the front and rear crossbars, wherein the flexible sunshade is comprised of a material that is resilient in at least a direction transverse to the longitudinal direction.

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26. (New) The sunshade system as claimed in claim 25 wherein ends of at least one of the front and rear crossbars include an extendible guide arm and a centering mechanism that cooperates with the extendible guide arms to center the at least one of the front and rear crossbars between the first and second guide rails as the flexible sunshade is movably guided by the first and second guide rails.